

Exhibit 1

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI
NORTHERN DIVISION**

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE, *et al.*;

Plaintiffs,

and

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Proposed Plaintiff-Intervenor,

v.

LYNN FITCH, in her official capacity as Attorney
General of the State of Mississippi, and, STATE OF
MISSISSIPPI, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Case No.
3:23-cv-272-HTW-LGI

CERTIFICATE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

I, Merrick B. Garland, Attorney General of the United States, pursuant to 42 U.S.C.
§ 2000h-2, hereby certify that the case of *NAACP v. Reeves*, No. 3:23-cv-272 (S.D. Miss.), is a
case of general public importance.

Signed this 12th day of July, 2023, at Washington, DC.



MERRICK B. GARLAND
Attorney General of the United States